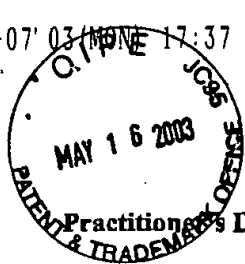


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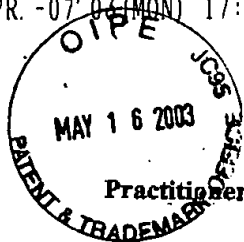
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IDENTIFICATION OF ASSIGNEE

2. Name of assignee: 500 Group, Inc.
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3. Name of person authorized to sign on behalf of assignee: Paolo M.B. Tiramani
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1. An assignment from the inventor(s) of the matter identified above, which was recorded in the PTO at Reel 02154 Frame 0166.

COPIES OF DOCUMENTS IN CHAIN OF TITLE

Copies of the assignment(s) or other document(s) in the chain of title are attached as follows:

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Paolo M.B. Tiramani
President



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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, WE, PAOLO M.B. TIRAMANI and JOHN A. BOZAK residing at 28 Dairy Road, Greenwich, Connecticut 06830 and 33 Colburn Way, Lebanon, Maine 04027, respectively, have invented certain new and useful improvements in **IMPROVEMENTS IN WHEELED LUGGAGE AND ASSOCIATED DEVICES** for which we filed Application Serial No. 09/849,714 having a filing date of May 4, 2001;

AND WHEREAS 500 GROUP, INC., a New York corporation having a place of business at Harbor Square, 700 Canal Street, Stamford, Connecticut 06902, hereinafter called the "Assignee", is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title, and interest in and to said application and the inventions and improvements therein disclosed;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of One (\$1.00) Dollar and other good and valuable consideration paid to us by said Assignee, receipt whereof we hereby acknowledge, we do hereby assign, sell, transfer, and set over unto said Assignee the entire right, title, and interest in and to said application and the inventions and improvements therein disclosed for the United States of America and all foreign countries and any Letters Patent which may issue therefor in the United States of America and all foreign countries and all divisions, reissues, continuations, renewals, and/or extensions thereof including all priority rights under the International Convention associated therewith for each country and the Union, said Assignee to have and to hold the interests herein assigned to the full ends of the terms of said Letters Patent and any and all divisions, reissues, continuations, renewals, and/or extensions thereof, respectively, as fully and entirely as the same could have been held and enjoyed by us had this assignment not been made.

The Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks is requested to issue such Letters Patent in accordance herewith. We covenant that we are the lawful owners of the said application, inventions, and improvements, that the same are unencumbered, that no license has been granted to make, use, or vend the said inventions or improvements or any of them, and that we have the full right to make this assignment.

And for the consideration aforesaid, we agree jointly and individually that we will communicate to said Assignee or the representatives thereof any facts known to us respecting said inventions and improvements, and will, upon request, but without expense to us, testify in any legal proceedings, sign all lawful papers, execute all divisional, reissue, continuation, renewal, and/or extension applications, make all rightful oaths, and generally do all other and further lawful acts, deemed necessary or expedient by said Assignee or by counsel for said Assignee, to assist or enable said Assignee to obtain and enforce full benefits from the rights and interests herein assigned. This assignment shall be binding upon our heirs, executors, administrators, and/or assigns, and shall inure to the benefit of the heirs, executors, administrators, successors, and/or assigns, as the case may be, of said Assignee.

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PAOLO M.B. TIRAMANI

(SEAL)

STATE OF

CONNECTICUT

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COUNTY OF

FAIRFIELD

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Before me this 7th day of August, 2001 personally appeared **PAOLO M.B. TIRAMANI**, to me personally known to be the person who is described in and who executed the above instrument, and he acknowledged to me that he executed the same of his own free will for the purposes therein set forth.


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NOTARY PUBLIC
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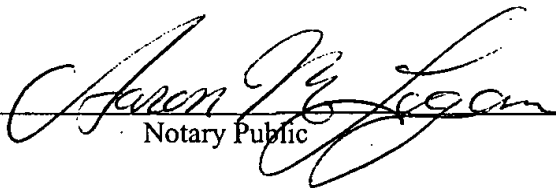
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JOHN A. BOZAK

STATE OF New Hampshire)
COUNTY OF Strafford) SS:

Before me this 28th day of August, 2001 personally appeared **JOHN A. BOZAK**, to me personally known to be the person who is described in and who executed the above instrument, and he acknowledged to me that he executed the same of his own free will for the purposes therein set forth.


Notary Public

JOHN A. BOZAK, Notary Public
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